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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
OF NOVEMBER 20, 2002

In response to the Office Action of November 20, 2002, please amend independent claims 1 and 4 and add Claim 7 to read as follows:

CLAIMS

In the Claims

1. (Amended) A device for clamping and ablating cardiac tissue comprising:
a first handle member;
a second handle member;
first and second mating jaw members associated with the first and second handle members, respectively, the jaw members being